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Remarks

This communication is responsive to the Restriction Requirement of May 23, 2007. Applicant makes elections as set forth below. Reexamination and reconsideration of claims 1-36 and 38-54 is respectfully requested.

Summary of The Restriction

Restriction to one of the following species was required under 35 U.S.C. 121, as described in the Office Action:

Species I: hereby drawn to a first fire line, a second fire line, a first address generator, a second address generator, a first drop generator, and a second drop generator, wherein the first address generator and first drop generators are located on a first portion of the fluid ejection device and second address generator and second drop generators are located on a second portion of the fluid ejection device, for example as currently presented in claims 35-42;

Species II: hereby drawn to a first fire line, a second fire line, a first address generator, a second address generator, first drop generators, second drop generators, and data lines, and a feed slot, for example, as presently disclosed in claims 48 and 50;

Species III: hereby drawn to a first fire line, a second fire line, a first address generator, a second address generator, first drop generators, second drop generators, and data signals, wherein the means for providing the second address signals is independent from the first address signals, and means for responding to the second address signals to eject the fluid are based on data signals, for example, as presently disclosed in claim 49;

Species IV: hereby drawn to a first fire line, a second fire line, a first address generator, a second address generator, first drop generators, second drop generators, and a latching device, for example, as presently disclosed in claims 51-54.

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Election

Applicant elects, without traverse, Species I. A listing of claims readable on Species I are claims 35-42 and generic claims 1-34 and 43-47 (as indicated by the Office Action on page 3). Accordingly, claims 1-36 and 38-47 are now ready for examination.

Respectfully submitted,

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